

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Wren Elementary Anderson 1

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 605**

Principal: Rhonda Rhodes

Superintendent: Dr. Wayne Fowler Board Chair: Mr. Fred Alexander

PERFORMANCE

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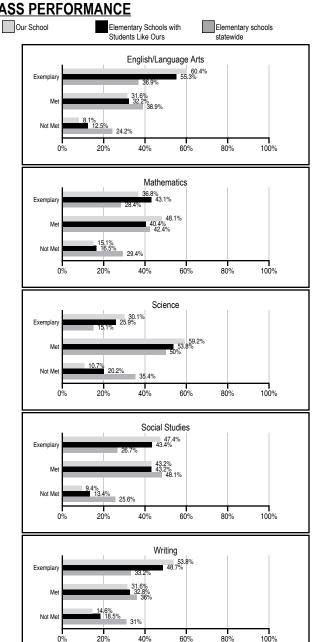
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Good	Average	N/A	Gold	Met	N/A
2007	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
23	4	3	0	0

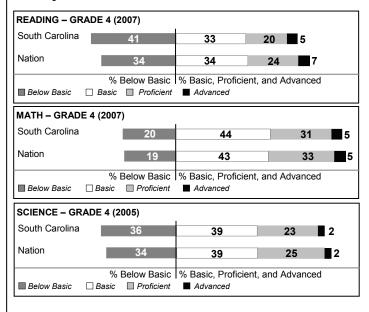
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=605)				
Retention rate	0.9%	Down from 2.2%	1.2%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Down from 96.9%	96.7%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	21.7%	Down from 23.0%	20.9%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	8.1%	Up from 7.8%	5.4%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.4%	Up from 0.2%	0.4%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=37)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	67.6%	Up from 61.1%	61.7%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	97.3%	Up from 91.7%	80.2%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.6%	Up from 92.5%	87.6%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	96.6%	No Change	95.4%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,934	Up 3.9%	\$49,270	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	5.4 days	Down from 10.1 days	11.4 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.6 to 1	Down from 21.7 to 1	19.9 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.7%	Up from 92.3%	91.4%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,570	Up 16.3%	\$6,698	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.3%	Down from 68.8%	71.7%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.2%	Down from 64.9%	67.2%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days.	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%

Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	39	88	39
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	96.6%	97.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	96.6%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	93.2%	97.4%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Wren Elementary School had an "All-Star" year in 2008-09!! Wren Elementary School is a K4-5th grade school that serves 593 students. The mission of Wren Elementary, in cooperation with students, parents, teachers, and community, is to provide a safe, positive, and caring environment that continually challenges all children to achieve personal success and develop their own unique qualities through diverse educational experiences.

Our school met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as defined by the No Child Left Behind legislation and was named a Palmetto Gold Winner for Closing the Achievement Gap in the 2008-09 school year. Additionally, we maintain our status as an Exemplary Writing School and received the Healthy Schools Award. We are proud of our accomplishments and continually strive to improve student success.

Meeting the individual needs of our students is a priority at Wren Elementary. Differentiated instruction, guided reading and data analysis has been a focus of our continued growth and academic success for all students. On-going analysis of PACT, MAP, (Measures of Academic Progress) DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills), DRA (Developmental Reading Assessment), along with formal and informal assessment guides our curriculum, instruction, assessment, and school programs. A number of teachers attended professional conferences and staff development and led school level trainings to share their knowledge with our entire staff.

Wren Elementary recognizes the need to prepare our students for a global society. Through partnership with our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), School Improvement Council (SIC) and district office, we have extended our tools for technology instruction and integration. This partnership has equipped each classroom with a Smartboard, Elmo and LCD projector. Additionally, we utilize Senteos and Small Wonder Digital Camcorders for assessment of student learning. These tools engage students and provide authentic assessment for real world applications with digital literacy.

Our students have opportunities that extend beyond the regular school day. Students participated in before school learning programs to receive additional instructional assistance in math, language arts and reading. We offered a PASS Push to review critical testing skills and content to help our students excel on our state test. Additionally, all classrooms participate on our morning school news show throughout the year. Students also have opportunities to serve as members of Safety Patrol, Flag Patrol, Student Council, Yearbook Staff, WES Postal System, Junior Technologist, Chorus, Art Club, and as media helpers in our library. Bicycle safety was also included within our Physical Education curriculum.

It takes commitment from our entire Wren team to ensure our children are thriving and growing academically, socially, and physically. Wren Elementary School is a special place to learn and grow together!!

Rhonda Tunstall, Principal Carrie Pennington, SIC Chairperson

^{**} Prior vear audited financial data available